## OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR

FROM: BOYD

**SUBJECT:** THEO. ROOSEVELT IV

**DATE:** 08/01/01 **CC:** RENICK

## FYI...

According to the NGA press release, Theodore Roosevelt IV will address the Governors during the annual meeting. He may approach you about the creation of a National Recreation Area in Mississippi.

You will likely recall that the US Fish and Wildlife Service is attempting to build support for the Lower Yazoo Basin Development Project. This project, if successful, will designate the Wildlife Management Areas and private lands in the south delta as a National Recreation Area and name it after President Theodore Roosevelt.

The timeline for completion and designation on this project is the Fall 2002. This designation will coincide with the 100th anniversary of Pres. Roosevelt's Bear Hunt. Following the hunt, the "Teddy Bear" was dubbed.